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MORNING MEETING ACTION ITEM

TO: DD/I DD/S&T D/ONE

The Director drew attention to the growing press and public debate over what precisely certain NIEs have said over the years about the Soviet strategic threat. He noted the probability that after the Easter recess we will be called upon by one or more Congressional committees to make appropriate comments. The Director pointed to the need for a dry run on responses to the likely kinds of questions which would be raised as well as to the need for a history of the key Estimates and of how we have gotten to where we stand now on such issues as the SS-9. The Director asked that the DD/S&T, the DD/I, and D/ONE form an ad hoc group to oversee the necessary research on issues and the development of tactics to be employed on the Hill.